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1. FOLLOWING IS JACK ANDERSON'S COLUMN HEADLINED "PROFITS BEFORE PEOPLE":

QUOTE: WE HAVE BEEN READING A COLD-BLOODED FOREIGN POLICY DOCUMENT, STAMPED SECRET ON EACH PAGE, WHICH SHOWS HOW THE UNITED STATES PUTS ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND POLITICAL PLAYS AHEAD OF HUMAN RIGHTS, THUS ABROGATING THE HISTORIC AMERICAN COMMITMENT TO CHAMPION DEMOCRACY AND DECENCY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

THE SECRET STUDY, TITLED "NATIONAL SECURITY STUDY MEMORANDUM 39," REVIEWS U.S. POLICY TOWARD SOUTHERN AFRICA. EXCEPT FOR A GENERAL CALL "TO ENCOURAGE MODERATION OF THE RIGID RACIAL AND COLONIAL POLICIES OF THE WHITE REGIMES," THE 111-PAGE DOCUMENT ALMOST IGNORES THE PLIGHT OF THE OPPRESSED BLACKS.

"OUR POLICY POSITIONS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA ISSUES AFFECT A RANGE OF U.S. INTERESTS," THE STUDY BEGINS. "NONE OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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INTERESTS ARE VITAL TO OUR SECURITY, BUT THEY HAVE POLITICAL

AND MATERIAL IMPORTANCE."

THE ONLY REFERENCE TO THE REPUGNANT RACIST POLICIES OF THE WHITE GOVERNMENTS IS IN A PRAGMATIC POLITICAL CONTEXT.

"THERE IS BASIC CONSENSUS WITHIN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT," STATES THE STUDY, THAT "OUR POLITICAL INTERESTS IN THE REGION ARE IMPORTANT BECAUSE THE RACIAL POLICIES OF THE WHITE STATES HAVE BECOME A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL ISSUE.

"THEREFORE, BECAUSE OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE MADE IT SO, OUR FOREIGN POLICY MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE DOMESTIC POLICIES OF THE WHITE REGIMES. MOST NON-WHITE NATIONS IN THE WORLD IN VARYING DEGREES WOULD TEND TO JUDGE CONSPICUOUS U.S. COOPERATION WITH THE WHITE REGIMES AS CONDONING THEIR RACIAL POLICIES."

SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER'S APPROACH, WE HAVE LEARNED, HAS BEEN TO "STRADDLE" THE BLACK-WHITE ISSUE BY UNDERCOVER COOPERATION WITH THE WHITE-RULED COUNTRIES AND "MODEST" INCREASES IN ECONOMIC AID FOR THE BLACK STATES.

THE SECRET STUDY PLACES GREAT STRESS ON PROTECTING "ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND STRATEGIC INTERESTS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE REGION, INCLUDING THE ORDERLY MARKETING OF SOUTH AFRICA'S GOLD PRODUCTION."

THE UNITED STATES HAS ITS BIGGEST ECONOMIC STAKE, ACCORDING TO THE DOCUMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA, WHERE SOME 300 U.S. FIRMS HOLD ABOUT \$700 MILLION IN INVESTMENTS. AMONG THEM ARE LARGE MINING COMPANIES AND THE BIG THREE AUTOMAKERS.

"SOUTH AFRICA PRODUCES ABOUT 60 PERCENT OF THE FREE WORLD'S GOLD," THE DOCUMENT ADDS, "AND THE ORDERLY MARKETING OF THIS PRODUCTION IS OF KEY IMPORTANCE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE TWO-TIER GOLD PRICING SYSTEM."

RHODESIA, WITH ITS VAST DEPOSITS OF METALLURGICAL CHROMITE, IS ALSO A JUICY ECONOMIC PLUM. SINCE THE UNITED NATIONS IMPOSED SANCTIONS ON RHODESIA, THE U.S.-OWNED UNCLASSIFIED

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MINES IN THE COUNTRY HAVE BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE GOVERNMENT.

IN SOUTHWEST AFRICA, THE FABULOUS TSUMEB MINES ARE PRODUCING COPPER, LEAD AND ZINC, U.S. FIRMS, WHICH HAVE A \$40 MILLION INVESTMENT IN THE AREA, ARE ALSO PROSPECTING FOR OIL AND MINERALS.

GULF OIL HAS STRUCK OIL IN ANGOLA, AND U.S. COMPANIES HAVE A \$100 MILLION INVESTMENT IN ZAMBIA.

NSSM 39 MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THE UNITED STATES IS FAR MORE CONCERNED ABOUT PROTECTING THESE CORPORATE INVESTMENTS THAN IN PROMOTING AMERICAN IDEALS. INCREASINGLY, OUR EMBASSIES AROUND THE WORLD HAVE BECOME BRANCH OFFICES FOR THE BIG U.S. CORPORATIONS. HERE ARE JUST A FEW EXAMPLES, WHICH WE HAVE DOCUMENTED IN THE PAST.

THE UNITED STATES CLOSED ITS EYES TO THE DELIBERATE SLAUGHTER OF THOUSANDS OF TRIBAL RIVALS BY THE BURUNDI GOVERNMENT AFTER A \$14 BILLION NICKEL DEPOSIT WAS DISCOVERED THERE. SUDDENLY, AGENTS REPRESENTING U.S. CORPORATIONS BEGAN SWARMING INTO THE TINY NATION, AND THE U.S. BEGAN COURTING THE REPRESSIVE BURUNDI GOVERNMENT.

WHEN ITT'S CORPORATE HOLDINGS IN CHILE WERE THREATENED BY THE MARXIST GOVERNMENT OF SALVADORE ALLENDE, ITT CALLED UPON THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY TO SPONSOR ECONOMIC SABOTAGE AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT. THE PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY THE 40 COMMITTEE WHICH IS HEADED BY SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER. THE ECONOMIC UNDERMINING HELPED TO TRIGGER A MILITARY COUP, PRECISELY AS ITT HAD PREDICTED 18 MONTHS BEFORE IT HAPPENED.

WHEN THE CONGOLESE CABINET GRANTED A LICENSE TO AN ITALIAN OIL COMPANY TO BUILD A REFINERY IN THE CONGO, THE STATE DEPARTMENT INTERVENED. THE U.S. EMBASSY IN LEOPOLDVILLE WAS INSTRUCTED TO HELP STANDARD OF NEW JERSEY GET THE LICENSE. AFTER QUIET DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE, THE CONGO CAPITULATED.

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IN THE FAR EAST, OILMEN USED THEIR INFLUENCE TO GET THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO PUNISH CEYLON FOR DARING TO NATIONALIZE SERVICE STATIONS OWNED BY TEXACO AND STANDARD OF NEW JERSEY. THE NATIONALIZATION HAD BEEN ORDERED BECAUSE THE TWO OIL GIANTS HAD STALLED FOR 12 YEARS OVER CONSTRUCTION OF A REFINERY WHICH CEYLON NEEDED BADLY.

THE COMPANIES SOUGHT TO INVOKE A FOREIGN AID CLAUSE, WHICH, IF ACTIVATED, CAN SHUT OFF ALL FOREIGN AID TO ANY COUNTRY THAT SEIZES AMERICAN-OWNED PROPERTY AND FAILS TO PAY FOR IT WITHIN SIX MONTHS. CEYLON OFFERED TO REIMBURSE THE OIL COMPANIES, BUT BOTH FIRMS DELAYED FURNISHING THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL FIGURES FOR SIX MONTHS. IT HAD ALL THE EARMARKS OF A DELIBERATE STALL SO THE AMENDMENT COULD TAKE EFFECT.

BUT CEYLON STOOD HER GROUND AND TURNED TO RUSSIA FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. THE CEYLONESE ALSO INVITED RUSSIA TO BID ON THE NEW REFINERY. THUS FOR THE SAKE OF TEACHING CEYLON A LESSON, OUR BUSINESS-ORIENTED DIPLOMATS GAVE CEYLON A FIRM PUSH IN THE DIRECTION OF MOSCOW AND INJURED AMERICAN-CEYLONESE RELATIONS PERHAPS FOR YEARS TO COME.

REP. TOM STEED (D-OKLA.) SUMMED UP THE SITUATION BLUNTLY AFTER INVESTIGATING OIL OPERATIONS OVERSEAS. THE OIL GIANTS, HE CHARGED, "HAVE NO REAL INTEREST IN THE ECONOMY OR SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES BUT, LIKE THE HUGE MUNITIONS MANUFACTURERS, ARE IN FACT INTERNATIONALISTS, CONCERNED ONLY WITH MAKING BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, HOWEVER AND WHEREVER THEY CAN." END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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